

July 17, 2023



Dear Community;

According to our records your community is not currently a member of the NH Public Works Mutual Aid Program (NHPWMA). There is no better time to highlight the importance of a mutual aid network than this summer has presented. NHPWMA has been activated for the recent rain events bringing assistance to those in need all across the state. Recent [WMUR coverage](#) shows how communities have helped communities through this volunteer network. During these July storms, trucks, drivers, cones, sandbags, signs and barricades have made their way to Towns in need including Washington, Acworth, Charlestown and Alton all the way from Derry, Bedford and many other member communities.

Big weather events can happen anywhere in the state and other infrastructure emergencies are striking more frequently, and many communities have called on others for assistance during those times when their own resources aren't enough to get the job done. The NHPWMA program is a network of municipalities that assists one another during emergencies through partnering agreements and a protocol for requesting **and** receiving aid.

Membership **does not require** that you assist or request aid, but gives you the option to, no matter how large or small the need is. If an emergency is declared, however, membership facilitates FEMA reimbursements. Enclosed, please find our brochure that outlines the services. Visit our website for more information.

[www.t2.unh.edu/ma](http://www.t2.unh.edu/ma)

NHPWMA is offering communities a free 2-year membership. We strongly encourage you to join NHPWMA by having the appropriate authority for your municipality fill out and sign the agreement form. You will join a network of over 150 other NH communities that understand the important and crucial benefits this program offers. Mail the form to:

NHPWMA  
c/o NH Municipal Association  
25 Triangle Park Drive, Concord, NH 03301

The last step is to complete the Member 24/7 contact form <https://t2.unh.edu/nhpwma-member-247-contact-form>. This will ensure that all members can be more quickly served during a time of need. If you have questions, please contact Marilee Enus with the UNH T2 Center at 978-955-8272 or [t2.center@unh.edu](mailto:t2.center@unh.edu). We're looking forward to your community joining our program.

Sincerely,

  
Kurt D. Blomquist, PE

Chair, Public Works Mutual Aid Board

And the NHPWMA Board of Directors